

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/623,238

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Frederick Krass

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the communication dated 8/21/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1 and 5.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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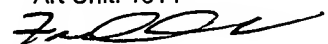
THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date 11/9/06.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☒ Other Drawings (7/17/03) accepted.

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Examiner's Amendment

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Hackler on 11/9/06.

The following changes have been made:

1) In the specification, page 1, line, 6, the paragraph added previously on 12/12/05 has been deleted and replaced with:

--- This application is a divisional of USSN 10/097,679, filed 03/13/2002, now USP 6,669,931, which claims the benefit of Provisional Application 60/279,969, filed 03/29/2001. ----

2) Claim 1, eighth and ninth lines, both occurrences of "NF" have been deleted.

3) Claim 1, tenth line, "PVP" has been deleted and replaced with ---
Polyvinylpyrrolidone ----

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- 4) Claim 1, sixteenth and eighteenth lines, both occurrences of “USP” have been deleted.
- 5) Claim 1, twentieth line, the value “0.9000” has been deleted from the middle column and reinserted at the right column (under “17.8890”).
- 6) Claim 1, last line, on the lefthand side (under “Chlorine Dioxide Solution, 2%”) there has been inserted --- Total ---
- 7) Claim 1, last line, a period has been inserted after “100.0000”.
- 8) Claim 5, last line, on the lefthand side (under “Citric Acid”) there has been inserted ---
Total ---
- 9) Claim 5, last line, a period has been inserted after “100.0000”.

Examiner-Initiated Interview

The changes discussed in the Interview Summary Form were merely cosmetic in nature, *i.e.* to clarify the meaning of abbreviations, to delete superfluous symbols, to correct minor typographical errors, and the like.

Correspondence

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Frederick Krass whose telephone number is (571) 272-0580. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:30AM to 6:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ardin Marschel can be reached at (571) 272-0718. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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